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PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Takashi MATSUMOTO, et al.

Application No.: 09/653,988

Filed: September 1, 2000

For: COIN DISPENSING APPARATUS

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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.81 (b) AND STATEMENT OF PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE**The Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
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The Examiner indicated by telephone on December 10, 2002, that the Application has gone abandoned for failing to respond to an Office Action dated June 3, 2002.

Applicants' representative, Mr. Scott D. Paul, filed an Amendment in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on September 3, 2002, which is within three months of the Office Action mailed June 3, 2002.

The undersigned, Scott D. Paul, has personal knowledge that he personally signed the Certification of Facsimile Transmission and he personally faxed the Amendment to the PTO on September 3, 2002. As provided for in 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(b)(3), accompanying this Petition and Statement of Personal Knowledge is a facsimile transmission report that reproduces the first page of the Amendment and Certification of Facsimile Transmission and supports a finding that a ten page fax was successfully transmitted on September 3, 2002. The facsimile transmission report

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also supports that the facsimile was sent to 703-308-2571, which is the phone number for regular communications that the Examiner identified on page 4 of the Office Action dated June 3, 2002.

It is therefore respectfully requested that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn and the application returned to pending status.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any necessary petition fees or any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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